IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

| JEREMY LEE HILTON and | |
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| RENAE MARIE HILTON, et al. |) |
| Plaintiffs, |))) |
| v. |) CIVIL ACTION NO.: 2:07-cv-0741-MHT |
| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, |) |
| Defendant. |) |

JOINT MOTION TO STAY RULE 26 (f) REPORT

COME NOW Plaintiffs, by and through George J. Hanko III, Esquire, and Defendant, the United States, by and through Leura G. Canary, United States

Attorney for the Middle District of Alabama, and pursuant to Rule 6 (b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, jointly move to stay submission of the parties' Rule 26 (f) planning report until the Court rules upon the United States' motion to transfer. In support of this motion, the parties state as follows:

- 1. On November 5, 2007, the United States moved to transfer this case to the District of Maryland pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404 (a). The Court set the motion to transfer for submission on November 13, 2007.
- 2. By Order dated October 24, 2007, the parties' Rule 26 (f) planning report is currently due on November 9, 2007. It makes little sense for the parties to submit a planning report until this Court determines whether it will retain this case.

3. I, the undersigned Assistant United States Attorney, do hereby certify that Counsel for plaintiffs, George J. Hanko III, Esquire, and I have reviewed and agreed to this joint motion.

WHEREFORE, the parties respectfully request that the Court stay the deadline for submitting the Rule 26 (f) planning report until after it rules upon the pending motion to transfer.

Respectfully submitted this 7th day of November, 2007.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on November 7, 2007, I Electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following:

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